

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT**

**INSTRUCTIONS for Form 4.
Motion and Affidavit for Permission to Proceed in Forma Pauperis**

Use Form 4 or an equivalent financial declaration to ask the court to waive the filing fees for an appeal or petition for review **in any civil case**.

For criminal and habeas corpus cases, use Form 23 CJA Financial Affidavit instead of Form 4 to request a fee waiver or to ask for appointment of counsel.

- Answer **all** questions on the form even if the answer is “0” or “N/A” (not applicable).
- Include your case number and sign the form. You do not need to have the form notarized.
- **Do not** include your Social Security number.

If you are a self-represented party who is not registered for electronic filing, mail the completed form to: U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, P.O. Box 193939, San Francisco, CA 94119-3939.

To file Form 4 electronically, use the electronic document filing type “Motion for Any Type of Relief” and “motion to proceed in forma pauperis” as the relief.

How to prepare fill-in forms for filing:

- If you have Adobe Acrobat or another tool that lets you save completed forms:
 1. Complete the form.
 2. Print the completed form to your PDF printer (File > Print > select Adobe PDF or another PDF printer listed in the drop-down list).
- If you do not have Adobe Acrobat or another tool that lets you save completed forms:
 1. Complete the form.
 2. Print the completed form to your printer.
 3. Scan the completed form to a PDF file.

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